

Act, 1955 the following expenditure were incurred.

I. SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities - Rs.1.94 crores

II. PCR Act, 1955 - Rs.2.29 crores

A total amount of Rs. 5.50 crores has been allocated during 1991-92 for implementation of the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

(b) The information is being collected.

Bio-Gas Plants in Maharashtra

446. SHRI VJAY NAVAL PATIL: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of bio-gas plants in Maharashtra as on 30th June, 1991;

(b) the number of bio-gas plants to be installed during 1991-92 in Maharashtra;

(c) whether there is any proposal to give the financial assistance to Government of Maharashtra for the development of bio-gas plants and for research work; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) About 4.24 lakh family type biogas plants under the National Project on Biogas Development (NPBD) and 130 community/Institutional Biogas plants (CBP/IBP) have been set up in Maharashtra upto 30.6.1991.

(b) A target of setting up 25000 family

type biogas plants under NPBD has been fixed for 1991-92 for the Govt. of Maharashtra, besides KVIC who are assigned a national target and would also be setting up a substantial number of plants in the State during the year. No State-wise targets are fixed for the installation of community and institutional biogas plants.

However, it is estimated that about 20 such plants would be commissioned in the State during 1991-92.

(c) and (d). Financial assistance under NPBD is provided to the States/implementing agencies on the basis of the actual number of plants/implementing agencies on the basis of the actual number of plants installed. On an average basis, for a target of 25000 plants, about Rs. 7.0 crores are expected to be released to the Govt. of Maharashtra during 1991-92.

For the Research & Development projects in biogas financial assistance is provided to the R&D institutions and Universities.

Compensation to Victims of Communal Riots

447. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of communal riots which took place during the last three months;

(b) the main reasons therefor; and

(c) the amount of compensation paid to the families of the killed and to be victims who sustained injuries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). On the basis of available